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In the Application of:

Siglin et al.

Serial No. 10/723,853

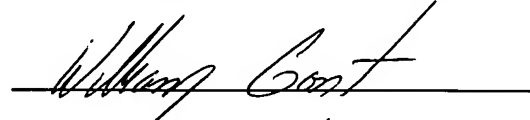
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For: Zero Ground Disturbance System

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sirs:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97-1.98 and in compliance with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, it is respectfully requested that the following references be considered in the examination of the above-identified patent application:

**U.S. Patents**

<u>U.S. Pat. No.</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>
5,882,142	March 16, 1999	Siglin et al.

**Other**

"Containment Systems", brochure by Sioux Steel Company, Inc., date unknown.

"Brock Containment Systems", brochure by Brock Industrial Systems, date unknown.

The reference "Containment Systems" by Sioux Steel Company does not provide a date of publication. The inventors believe that this reference was published approximately around the middle of 2003.

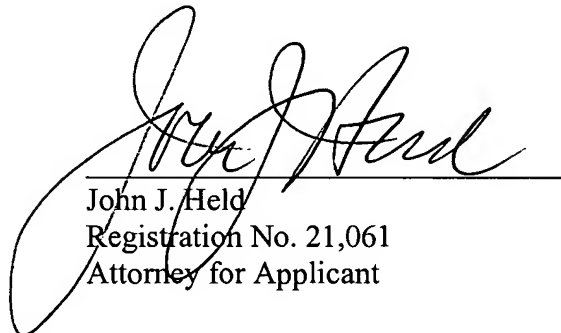
The reference "Brock Containment Systems" also does not provide a date of publication. The inventors are unaware of the date of publication for this reference.

The above-identified reference(s) are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. This submission is in no way intended as an admission that the above-cited references constitute prior art. Applicant expressly retains the right to take any actions necessary to remove the above-cited references from the available prior art. Consideration of the above-identified references in the examination of the present patent application is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required or credit any overpayment to Account No. 13-0017.

Respectfully submitted,

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<b>LIST OF PATENTS AND PUBLICATIONS FOR APPLICANT'S INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT</b> (use several sheets if necessary)	FILING DATE	GROUP ART UNIT
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## REFERENCE DESIGNATION

## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS/ SUBCLASS	FILING DATE
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## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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EXAMINER INITIAL	OTHER ART (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)	
	A4	"Containment Systems", brochure by Sioux Steel Company, Inc. date unknown.
	A5	"Brock Containment Systems", brochure by Brock Industrial Systems, date unknown.
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